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More snow??

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Secretary of State-designate Sen. Hillary Clinton addresses reporters Monday after being introduced by President-elect Obama in Chicago.

NANCY STONE/TRIBUNE

Report: Gov't was warned of meltdown

Associated Press

WASHINGTON The Bush administration backed off proposed crackdowns on no-money-down, interest-only mortgages years before the economy collapsed, buckling to pressure from some of the same banks that have now failed. It ignored remarkably prescient warnings that foretold the financial meltdown, according to an Associated Press review of regulatory documents.

"Expect fallout, expect foreclosures, expect horror stories," California mortgage lender Paris Welch wrote to U.S. regulators in January 2006, about one year before the housing implosion cost her a job.

Bowing to aggressive lobbying—along with assurances from banks that the troubled mortgages were OK—regulators delayed action for nearly one year. By the time new rules were released late in 2006, the toughest of the proposed provisions were gone and the meltdown was under way.

"These mortgages have been considered more safe and sound for portfolio lenders than many fixed rate mortgages," David Schneider, home loan president of Washington Mutual, told federal regulators in early 2006. Two years later, WaMu became the largest bank failure in U.S. history.

The administration's blind eye to the impending crisis is emblematic of a philosophy that trusted market forces and discounted the need for government intervention in the economy. Its belief ironically has ushered in the most massive government intervention since the 1930s.

"We're going to be feeling the effects of the regulators' failure to address these mortgages for the next several years," said Kevin Stein of the California Reinvestment Coalition, who warned regulators to tighten lending rules before it was too late.

RECESSION? YOU'RE LOOKING AT IT

The U.S. economy has been in a recession since December 2007, the National Bureau of Economic Research said Monday. The NBER—a private, nonprofit research organization—said its group of academic economists who determine business cycles met and decided that the U.S. recession began last December.

Confirmation of a recession sent Wall Street plunging once again Monday, hurtling the Dow Jones industrials down more than 600 points and erasing a huge chunk of last week's big gains. AP



TEAM AMERICA

CLINTON WILL 'RESTORE OUR ALLIANCES,' OBAMA SAYS

New York Times News Service

President-elect Obama called for "a new dawn of American leadership" on Monday as he formally introduced his national security team, led by Sen. Hillary Clinton as his nominee for secretary of state.

"We will strengthen our capacity to defeat our enemies and support our friends," Obama said in Chicago. "We will renew old alliances and forge new and enduring partnerships."

Obama said he was sticking to his goal of removing American combat troops from Iraq within 16 months, which he called "the right time frame," and that this would be accomplished with safety for the troops and security for the Iraqi people.

He introduced his team one by one, starting with Clinton, his former bitter rival for the Democratic presidential nomination; then Defense Secretary Robert Gates, who will stay on, at least for a time,



BILL APPROVED

Hillary Clinton scarcely had finished speaking when her husband issued a written statement. "She is the right person for the job of helping to restore America's image abroad, end the war in Iraq, advance peace and increase our security," former President Bill Clinton said. AP

in the new administration; Gen. James L. Jones, the former NATO commander, to be national security adviser; Gov. Janet Napolitano of Arizona to be secretary of homeland security; Susan Rice to be ambassador to the UN, and Eric Holder to be attorney general.

All of the nominations had been

expected, and the president-elect's announcement contained no surprises. It did, however, contain some not very thinly veiled criticism of the Bush administration.

"Hillary's appointment is a sign to friend and foe of the seriousness of my commitment to renew American diplomacy and restore our alliances," Obama said, apparently alluding to the effects of President Bush's Iraq policy—which the president-elect has bitterly criticized—on America's international relationships.

And when the new president introduced Holder, he said: "Let me be clear: The attorney general serves the American people, and I have every expectation that Eric will protect our people, uphold the public trust and adhere to our Constitution."

Bush's handling of the Justice Department has often been criticized, as has former Attorney General Alberto Gonzales, who was portrayed by many Democrats and some Republicans on Capitol Hill as little more than Bush's personal lawyer.

The choice of Clinton to be the country's top diplomat has drawn the most attention in recent weeks, but the bitterness of their contest in the presidential primaries seemed all but forgotten on Monday.

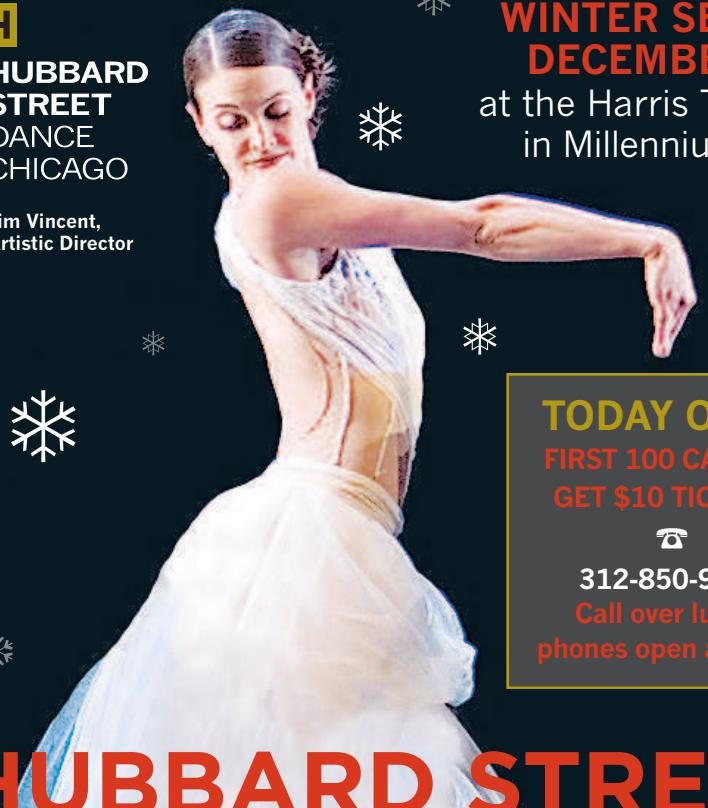
"Mr. President-elect, thank you for this honor," Clinton said. "If confirmed, I will give this assignment, your administration and our country my all."

Barring extraordinary surprises, the confirmation of Obama's choices seems assured.



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Can every line be a green line?

When you ride the CTA, you may feel a wee bit morally superior when it comes to your carbon footprint.

In stations, you see recycling bins. And on the train? Per CTA Board Chairwoman Carole Brown, an eight-car "L" filled to capacity represents 1,000 cars snatched from city streets.

Still, the agency could seize even more environmental opportunities. At least that's the contention of several riders who recently wrote to "Going Public," offering suggestions like these:

Get crackin' on carbon offsets

With fare increases looming on Jan. 1, riders have no shortage of ideas for the CTA to make some bank. One in particular piqued "Going Public's" curiosity, as it involved the environment.

"The CTA should sell carbon offsets to raise revenue," James Reyes of Albany Park wrote in an e-mail to "Going Public."

In short, such a program could allow local individuals to pay a fee to compensate for not going greener by riding trains or buses.

Great news for the Green Brigade: The CTA is exploring the idea, CTA spokeswoman Katelyn Thrall said, but before it could collect carbon offset revenue, the agency would have to be able to quantify those offsets, effectively calculating the difference between the carbon footprints of taking public transit versus driving.

The CTA also would need to formally join a carbon-trading market, Thrall said.

That is in the works on local, state and federal levels, according to Thrall, who said the CTA is part of the American Public Transit Association, which currently is developing the needed standards for inclusion in federal climate change legislation. The agency also is working toward starting carbon offset programs through the Chicago Climate Action Plan and the Illinois Climate Change Advisory Group, Thrall said.

Move that bin!

Lakeview rider Daniel Roshevsky supports the blue recycling bins the CTA places at stations but questions the placement of them, specifically at the Red Line's Granville stop.

"The bin is located next to the 'up' escalator," Roshevsky, 23, wrote in an e-mail to "Going Public." "This means that a rider coming down the stairs after getting off the train would have to completely turn around and walk to the escalator ... to recycle their paper."

Thrall said the recycling bins are "placed in a location that would make it convenient for customers who wish to recycle as well as not impact the flow of customer traffic through the station."

She also explained that during construction bins sometimes get misplaced. Concerned riders can notify a customer representative or send an e-mail to ctahelp@transitchicago.com, she said.

And if you have an idea for blue bin placement systemwide, shoot your suggestions to feedback@transitchicago.com, the CTA's designated spot for rider ingenuity.



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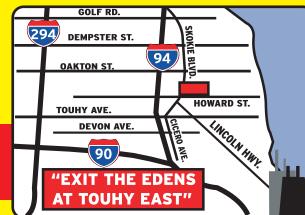
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A constant stream of people left items at the Hudson family home in October in tribute to those slain.
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HUDSON MURDER SUSPECT ARRESTED

Balfour awaits formal charges in connection with three slayings

Associated Press

Police arrested the estranged brother-in-law of Jennifer Hudson on Monday in the deaths of the entertainer's mother, brother and young nephew, taking him from a prison where he had been held on a suspected parole violation.

William Balfour was arrested at Stateville Correctional Center and released to detectives as he awaited formal charges in the shooting deaths of the singer and Oscar-winning actress' relatives, said Chicago police spokeswoman Monique Bond.

Until Monday, police had identified Balfour, 27, only as a "person of interest" in the investigation. He had not been charged by late Monday afternoon, said Andy Conklin, a spokesman for the Cook County state's attorney's office.

The bodies of Jennifer Hudson's mother, Darnell Hudson Donerson, and brother, Jason Hudson, were discovered Oct. 24 at the family's home on the South Side. The body of 7-year-old Julian King was found



Balfour



King

three days later in an SUV on the West Side. All three had been shot.

Police took Balfour into custody the same day the bodies of Donerson and Hudson were discovered. After 48 hours—the longest Chicago police can hold a person without charges—Balfour was taken by the Illinois Department of Corrections on the suspected parole violation.

Balfour—Julian's stepfather and the estranged husband of Jennifer Hudson's older sister, Julia Hudson—served seven years for a 1999 attempted murder and vehicular hijacking conviction.

His mother, Michelle Balfour of Chicago, has denied that her son had anything to do with the deaths. Telephone numbers for Balfour's mother and sister were disconnected Monday.

Balfour had refused to take a lie-detector

test and stopped cooperating with detectives in the case, a police official, who was not authorized to discuss the case publicly and spoke on condition of anonymity, has said.

Police have confirmed they found the gun used in the killings. The .45-caliber gun was discovered less than a week after Balfour was taken into custody in a vacant lot in the neighborhood where King's body was found a few days earlier.

Bond declined to discuss any evidence Monday. But after a hearing at the prison, the chairman of the Illinois Prisoner Review Board said a woman had told authorities that a gun used in the slayings was "identical" to the gun that was recovered.

At the time, board Chairman Jorge Montes said the evidence was key to a decision finding probable cause that Balfour violated his parole and should remain locked up pending a Dec. 3 hearing before a review board panel. Balfour did not have an attorney at the November hearing, and the Cook County public defender's office said at the time that nobody from the office had been assigned because he was not formally charged with a crime.

No one in the public defender's office was assigned to Balfour's case late Monday, and it was not clear whether he had other representation.

Timeline

May 2008

William Balfour, the husband of Jennifer Hudson's sister Julia, moves out of Hudson family home in the 7900 block of South Yale Avenue.

June

Balfour, on parole for a 1999 attempted murder conviction, is arrested on a charge of possession of cocaine.

July 16

The drug case against Balfour is dropped.

Oct. 24

7 a.m. Balfour drives his teal Chrysler to the Hudsons' block, according to witnesses.

9 a.m. Neighbors hear gunshots, but don't notify police.

Unknown time Balfour misses a meeting with his parole officer.

3 p.m. A relative finds the body of Jennifer Hudson's mother, Darnell Donerson, 57, in her living room. The relative notifies authorities, who then find the body of Jennifer's brother, Jason Hudson, 29, in a bedroom. There is no sign of Julian King, the 7-year-old son of Balfour.

Unknown time Reached by phone by his parole agent, Balfour says he is "babysitting on the West Side." The agent thinks he hears a child in the background.

About 6 p.m. Authorities issue an Amber Alert for Julian and Balfour, his stepfather. Police arrest Balfour at his girlfriend's West Side apartment, but the boy isn't with him.

Evening Officers question Balfour, but he stops talking when police suggest he take a polygraph.

Oct. 26

Officials transfer Balfour to Stateville Correctional Center.

Oct. 27

Julian's body is discovered in the back of Jason Hudson's Chevrolet Suburban, parked on the West Side.

Oct. 28

Autopsy shows Julian King died of multiple gunshot wounds.

Oct. 29

Police find a handgun matching the caliber of weapon used in the slayings.

Oct. 31

Forensic testing shows that the .45-caliber pistol recovered by Chicago police was the weapon used to kill all three victims.

Nov. 10

The Illinois Prisoner Review Board rules that there is reason to believe that Balfour, 27, violated his parole in another matter.

Dec. 1

William Balfour is arrested and is awaiting charges in three homicides. **TRIBUNE, AP**

Chicago offers amnesty for red-light, parking tickets

People with Chicago parking or red-light tickets who take advantage of an amnesty that began Monday could save money and avoid the possibility of getting "booted" next month.

“Half of the penalty for late payments on the 3.5 million outstanding tickets issued before 2007 will be waived for those who pay under the amnesty that ends Feb. 14, city Revenue Department Director Bea Reyna-Hickey said.

And people whose cars were sold or wrecked as a result of being booted won't have to come up with boot, tow

and storage fees if they pay the tickets, she said, noting payment plans would be available to more people than before.

Those who pay after the amnesty ends also could be hit with a new fee, because the city will start passing along the cost of placing tickets into collection. That adds up to 22 percent, Reyna-Hickey said.

"This is an important opportunity for motorists to come into compliance," Mayor Daley said in a statement. "The amnesty period allows motorists to pay their tickets in full and get a 50 percent discount on the penalties."

At the end of the amnesty, the city would place the Denver Boot on vehicles with two or more year-old parking and red-light tickets. Currently, a vehicle must have three tickets, although they don't have to be a year old.

Daley's recently passed 2009 budget banks on collecting \$4.2 million in additional revenue by lowering the boot threshold to two tickets. Reyna-Hickey said the city is owed \$40.1 million on tickets not paid for more than a year.

The city's last ticket amnesty was in 2002, Reyna-Hickey said. During the past 10 years, the number of tickets issued annually has dropped to about 2.6 million from 3.5 million, she said.

But revenue during that period rose to about \$182 million from \$68 million, she added.

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Wrigley Field
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Cubs attract suitors

Despite credit crunch, at least three buyers make fresh bids for team

Chicago Tribune

Interest in buying the Chicago Cubs remains healthy despite the worst financial crisis since the Great Depression.

At least three prospective buyers submitted second-round bids to Tribune Co. for the North Side team by the Thanksgiving deadline, according to sources involved in the sales process.

Chicago real estate investor Hersch Klaff; the Ricketts family, founder of online brokerage TD Ameritrade Holding Corp.; and a group led by Marc Utay, a New York private equity investor, are in the hunt to land one of baseball's most storied franchises. Utay, Klaff and Tom Ricketts, a Chicago bond salesman who is leading the family bid, declined to comment.

They were among five finalists selected in July to remain in an auction organized by Tribune to sell the ballclub, Wrigley Field and the media company's 25 percent stake in Comcast SportsNet, a regional cable sports network. Originally, 10 parties expressed interest in the bidding.

The two other finalists—Houston businessman Jim Crane and Mark Cuban, owner of the Dallas Mavericks basketball team—did not return messages seeking comment, and it could not be determined as of Monday evening whether they had submitted new bids.

While Cuban has expressed enthusiasm for owning the Cubs,



Ricketts



Utay

he has not been active in the sales process for months, according to a source. His chances of becoming an owner, which includes approval by a majority of team owners, took a hit when federal securities regulators charged him last month with insider trading.

While the economic downturn has derailed corporate dealmaking, the Cubs are viewed by some as a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to buy a franchise with a national following despite not having won a World Series in a century. Its allure lies in its "lovable loser" reputation as well as a historic ballpark situated in a thriving Chicago neighborhood.

But the financial crunch likely will impact the size of the offers, as the cost of financing has risen and lenders are hesitant to extend credit.

"We have always doubted the ability to obtain a price over \$900 million for the Cubs, and those doubts have been reinforced by the collapse in the credit markets and the attendant compression of asset valuations," wrote an analyst at CreditSights Inc. in a report last week.

Sources declined to comment on the size of the three bids. A Tribune spokesman also declined to comment on the sales process. Before the recent downturn, some had estimated that the team and related assets could fetch about \$1 billion.

Nevertheless, the new bids are a boost to Tribune, which is suffering from a sharp decline in advertising sales at its eight major daily newspapers, including the Chicago Tribune. The Cubs have been for sale since April 2007, when Chicago real estate billionaire Sam Zell reached a deal to take Tribune private. The deal saddled the company with \$13 billion in debt.

Zell has indicated that he would like to reach a deal to sell the Cubs by year-end.

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Alert issued after child abduction attempt

Police issued a community alert Monday for a man being sought in the attempted abduction of a girl as she walked to school on the South Side. The man followed the girl and tried to lure her to his vehicle on the 6200 block of West 63rd Street on Nov. 25 at around 7:30 a.m., police said. The man being sought is described as about 40 years old with black wavy hair, brown eyes, goatee and wearing a black shirt. He was driving an older, dirty forest-green four-door Ford Explorer with tinted side and rear windows, and two gold pinstripes running the length of the vehicle.

Mag Mile bank robbed

A bank on the Magnificent Mile was robbed Monday morning. The robbery occurred around 9:40 a.m. at a Bank of America branch at 500 N. Michigan Ave., according to police. FBI agents, who handle bank robbery investigations, were on the scene, but no further details were immediately available. No one was reported injured.

Driver cited in Lower Wacker crash

A woman was cited with negligent driving after her car slammed into a pillar along Lower Wacker Drive near Columbus Drive on Sunday night, injuring four people, including a child, officials said Monday. Jasmine Bhatti, 21, of the 4500 block of North Clarendon Avenue was driving a Ford Crown Victoria when it collided with the pillar, police said.

Drowning lawsuit blames police

A relative of a 5-year-old who drowned last summer after falling off a rock ledge at Jackson Park Harbor sued Chicago police, alleging that an officer prevented bystanders from trying to rescue the boy. The lawsuit, filed Monday, contended that the officer threatened to arrest bystanders who were "suitably qualified" to attempt a rescue of Ronald Evans Jr. in July. If the good Samaritans had been allowed to enter Lake Michigan, "they could and would have rescued" the boy, the suit said.

Snow ushers in December

The season's first winter storm buffeted much of Illinois with snow and gusty winds, stranding airline passengers in Chicago and leaving ice-slicked roads blamed for two deaths before tapering off Monday afternoon.

"Welcome to winter in Chicago—it's here," Chicago Streets and Sanitation spokesman Matt Smith said at a morning briefing recounting the night's snow-fighting activities.

In addition, more than 100 city residents woke up this morning to find their cars gone—towed from their street parking spots as part of the city's overnight winter storm parking ban.

The snow coincided with the start of the city's overnight winter parking ban on 107 miles of the city's "most vital arterial streets."

As of 7:30 a.m., 165 vehicles had been ticketed, towed and impounded, Smith said. That was up slightly from the 149 handled the same way on the first day of the ban a year ago.

The snow fell during the morning rush hour, slowing traffic on many expressways and major streets to a crawl. Numerous spinouts were reported on slick roads, and entrance and exit ramps to expressways were icy.

KEEP IN MIND

It's not winter yet. Although this week will sure feel like it with temperatures staying in the 20s and 30s and a chance of snow on Wednesday and Saturday.



Fifth grader Sofie Karnowski, 10, walks Monday to Mann Elementary School in Oak Park. The Chicago area was hit with its first significant snow storm of the season. CHUCK BERMAN/TRIBUNE

Chicago Department of Aviation spokesman Gregg Cunningham said delays at O'Hare were averaging about 30 minutes and 50 flights were canceled Monday.

The storm didn't have as much of an impact at

Midway, where delays averaged about 15 minutes and there were no flight cancellations.

Smith said 2.5 inches of snow fell on the North Side and 1.5 inches on the South Side. He called it "a very small snow."

Look out for cyber-scammers

It's beginning to look a lot like holiday cyber-scaming season.

The FBI is warning to watch out for bogus electronic greeting cards that try to steal personal information from unsuspecting victims.

A holiday e-mail that purports to be from a friend or relative often links to a fake Web site made to look authentic, authorities said. Scam artists are then able to view all the network traffic between the victim's browser and the phony page, allowing passwords, credit card numbers and account numbers to be stolen, the FBI said.

In another scam, potential victims are asked for personal account information so funds can be credited to their account for completing an online survey.

PROTECT YOURSELF

Officials recommend not clicking on links to unsolicited e-mails and point consumers to fbi.gov/cyberinvest/escams.htm for more information.

Durbin asks Bush to cut Ryan's sentence

Sen. Dick Durbin asked President Bush on Monday to consider commuting former Gov. George Ryan's 6½-year racketeering sentence to time served, standing firm on his appeal for mercy despite an outpouring of criticism.

"This action would not pardon him of his crimes or remove the record of his conviction, but it would allow him to return to his wife and family for their remaining years," Durbin said in a letter to Bush.

Durbin told reporters he was moved by the plight of Ryan's wife, Lura Lynn, who is in ill health and needs her husband by her side.

"I am asking for mercy for the husband of a woman I admire very much," he said.

Ryan, 74, a one-term Republican governor, was convicted in 2006 of racketeering, fraud and other offenses, and has served one year of his federal prison sentence. It is customary for an outgoing president to issue pardons and commute sentences before leaving, and Ryan is pinning his hopes for early release on Bush.

In his letter, Durbin described Ryan's circumstances in dismal terms.

"He has lost his state pension benefits and a commutation will not restore them," Durbin said. "He would emerge from prison facing economic uncertainty at an advanced stage of his life."

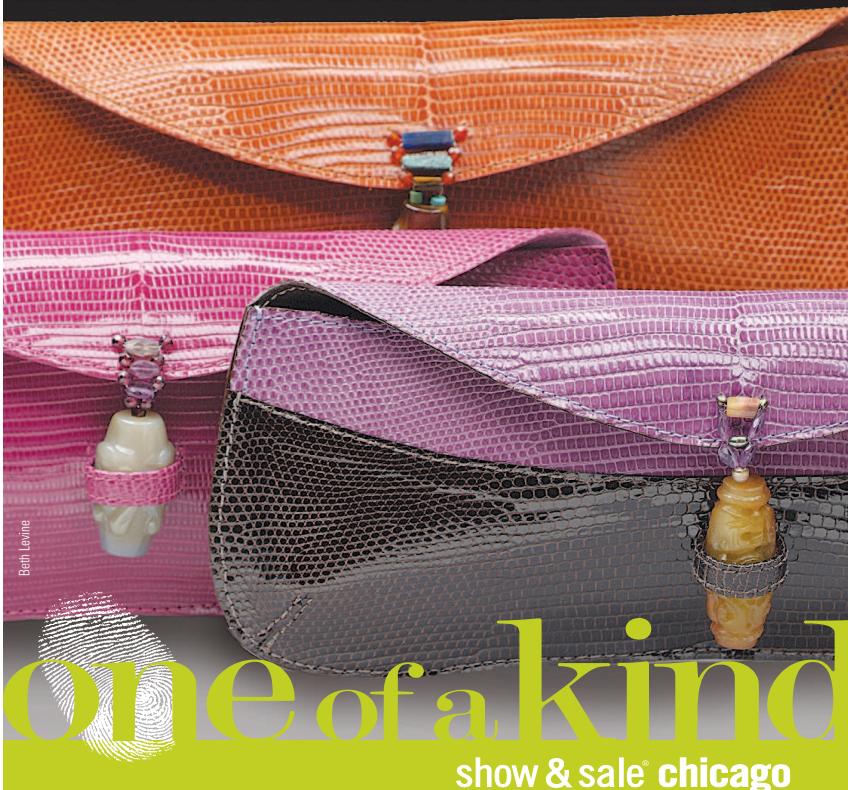
Durbin said last week that he was considering an appeal to Bush, triggering criticism.

"I can tell you in the last few days there has been an outpouring of emotion in this state over the suggestion of clemency for George Ryan—overwhelmingly negative," Durbin said at the Union League Club in downtown Chicago.

Patrick Collins, who was chief prosecutor at the Ryan trial, said commuting a sentence should be reserved for extraordinary cases.

"My question is, what is the extraordinary circumstance we have here?" Collins said. "Yes, we have an elderly defendant but that doesn't distinguish Mr. Ryan from many other people in the federal prison population."

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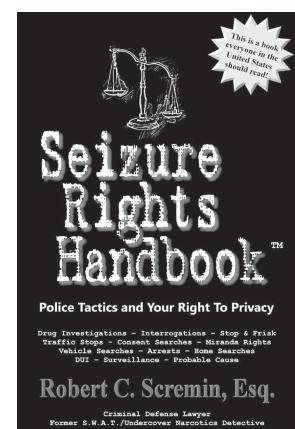
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Gert McMullen of Atlanta looks at part of the AIDS Memorial Quilt on Monday in Little Rock, Ark. President Bush said that his presidential initiative on the deadly disease has already met its goal of treating 2 million people in sub-Saharan Africa. **AP PHOTO**

2 Kosher meat shortage

Kosher butchers are reporting shortages of meat because of the collapse of Agriprocessors, formerly the largest kosher meatpacking company in the nation. In May, nearly 400 workers were arrested in an immigration raid at the company's Postville, Iowa, slaughterhouse.

3 Mayor arrested

The mayor of Birmingham, Ala., Larry Langford, was arrested Monday on charges of steering millions of dollars of bond work to a friend in exchange for more than \$230,000 in bribes that paid his debts for flashy clothes, jewelry and Rolex watches.

4 Mall shooting

One person was shot at a suburban Miami mall Monday and taken to a hospital by helicopter, and another person was injured, authorities said. Witnesses said they heard numerous gunshots and described shoppers screaming.

5 Venice flooding

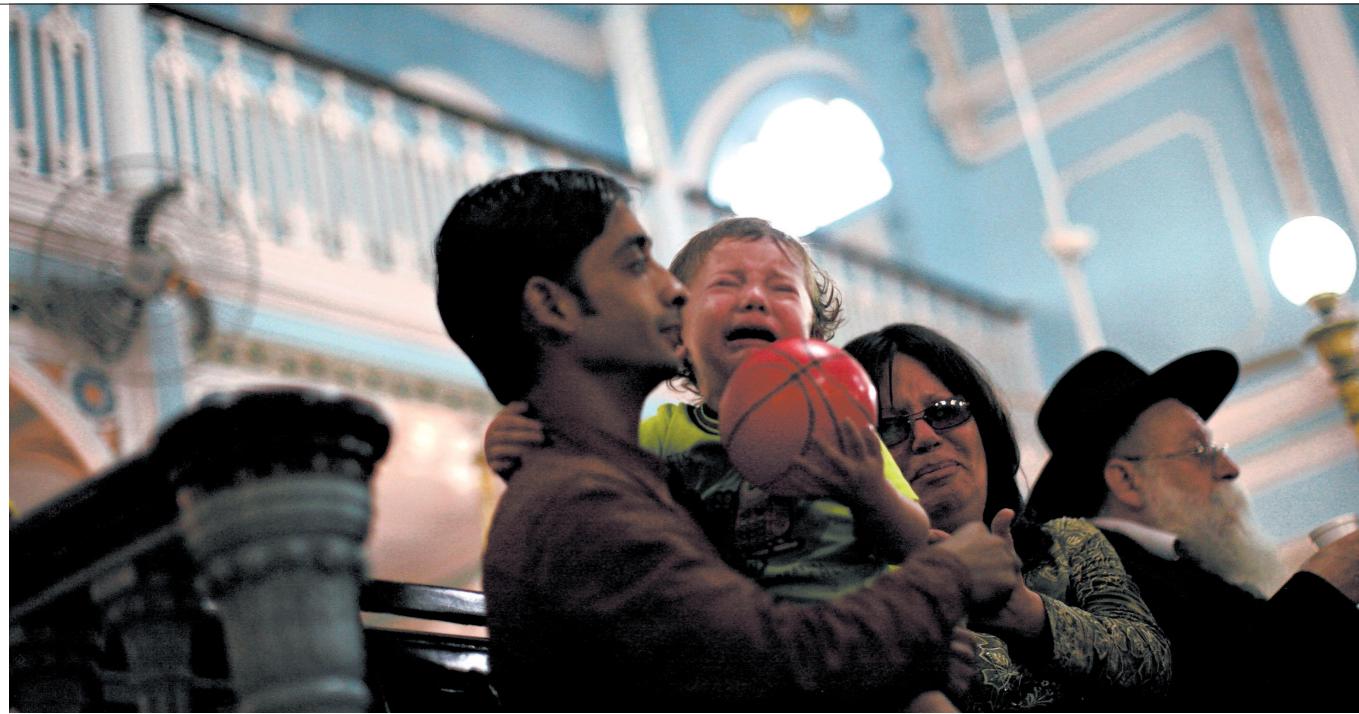
One of the highest tides in its history brought Venice to a virtual halt, rekindling a debate over a plan to build moveable flood barriers in an effort to save the lagoon city from high tides.

6 Airport crisis

Thailand's prime minister stayed away from the capital Monday, unable to quell a political crisis that has paralyzed his government for weeks and shut down the city's two main airports and stranded 300,000 foreigners.

7 Deaths down

One American serviceman died in Afghanistan in November, a dramatic drop from earlier months that the U.S. military in Kabul attributed to their campaign against insurgent leaders, operations by Afghan and Pakistani forces and the onset of winter.



Two-year-old Moshe Holtzberg cries Monday during a memorial ceremony for his parents, who were killed in Mumbai. **GETTY IMAGES**

Israel brings home orphan of rabbi slain in Mumbai

8 JERUSALEM The 2-year-old orphan found drenched in the blood of his parents at the besieged Jewish center in Mumbai left India on Monday on an Israeli Air Force jet, accompanied by the Indian woman who rescued him.

Moshe Holtzberg's parents, Rabbi Gavriel Noach Holtzberg and his wife, Rivka, ran the headquarters of the ultra-Orthodox Chabad Lubavitch movement in Mumbai—one of 10 targets besieged by gunmen over the 60-hour rampage.

During the attack Thursday, Sandra Samuel, a nanny who worked there for

DEADLY RAMPAGE

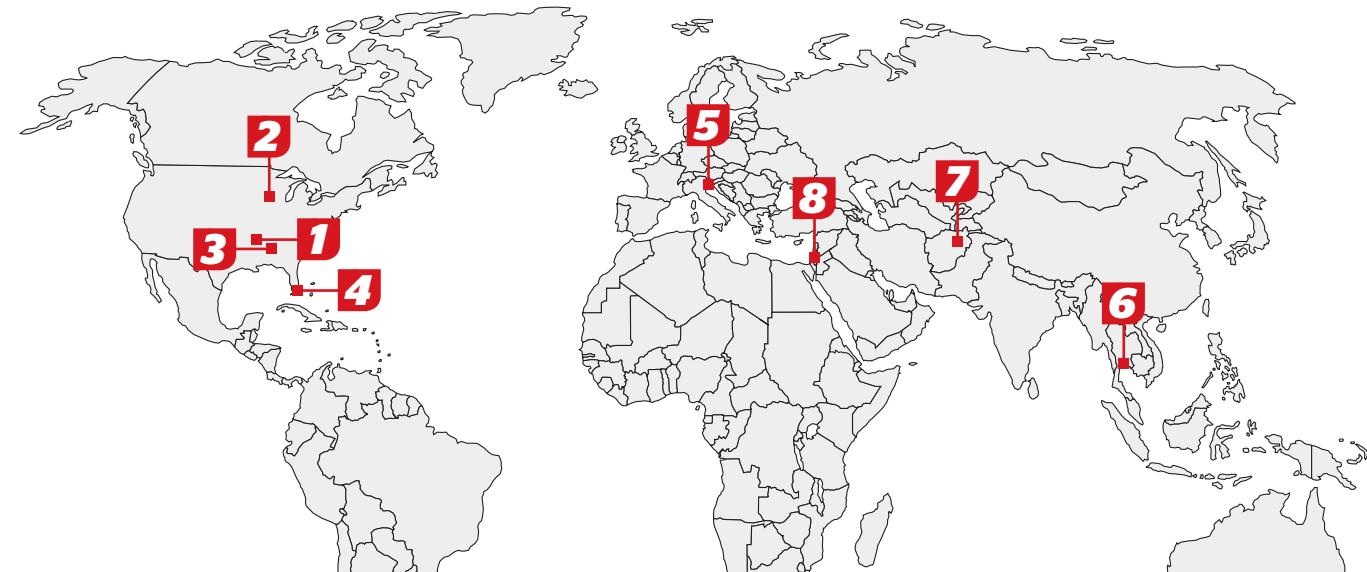
Six civilians were killed in the center—all of them Jewish and four of them Israeli, Israeli Foreign Ministry spokesman Andy David said. In all, more than 170 died in attacks on 10 targets across the Indian city.

years, had locked herself in a laundry room when she heard Rivka screaming for her to help. Then the screaming stopped, and it was quiet, said Robert Katz, a New York-based fundraiser for an Israeli orphanage founded by the boy's family.

Samuel cracked open the door of her hiding place and saw a deserted staircase. She ran up one flight and saw the rabbi and his wife, covered in blood and shot to death. The child was crying beside his parents' bodies, his pants drenched in blood.

She snatched the boy, bolted down the stairs and out of the building.

"She's been there with him throughout," Katz said. Moshe was accompanied on the trip to Israel by his maternal grandparents, Yehudit and Shimon Rosenberg, who were reunited with their grandson when they arrived in Mumbai on Friday.



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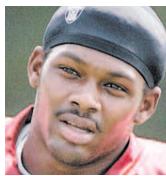
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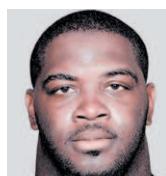
Athletes often say they own guns to protect themselves, and a string of attacks won't help that fact.

» Redskins player Sean Taylor died a year ago last Thursday, a day after being shot at his South Florida home during a robbery.



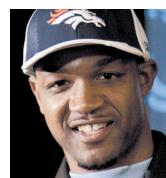
Taylor

» Jacksonville's Richard Collier was shot in early September while waiting for two women outside an apartment complex. He sustained 14 gunshot wounds and had to have his left leg amputated.



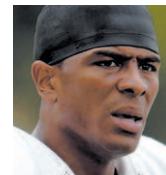
Collier

» Denver cornerback Darrent Williams was shot and killed outside a Denver nightclub while riding in his limousine in 2007.



Williams

» Oakland receiver Javon Walker was robbed and beaten unconscious in Las Vegas in June.



J. Walker

» Houston cornerback Dunta Robinson was tied up in September 2007 while two men broke into his home and stole jewelry.

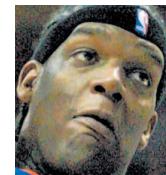


Robinson

» NBA players Antoine Walker and Eddy Curry were robbed just weeks apart in their Chicago-area homes in 2007.



A. Walker



Curry



Giants receiver Plaxico Burress (right) arrives Monday with an unidentified man at Manhattan Supreme Court for arraignment in New York. Burress accidentally shot himself in the leg at a Manhattan nightclub early Saturday. AP PHOTO

Unbearable situation

We asked RedEye's Twitter followers the following question: Is your glass half-empty or half-full? Give us a good reason the Bears will or won't make the playoffs. Here's what they said. Play for team RedEye at twitter.com/redeyechicago.



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The Bears glass is half-full, unfortunately the coaching staffs' heads are empty & will keep us out of the playoffs.

@Randy_Gniadecki

My glass is half-full for the simple reason that the rest of the division is playing just as bad if not worse than the Bears.

@specialKevin

Why won't the Bears make the playoffs? Because Lovie Smith suddenly forgot how to coach in the NFL.

@TheMikePhillips

Half-empty. It all came down to [Sunday's] game, and Orton's fearlessness of the early season disappeared after his injury!

@hksully

The Bears won't make the playoffs, but only because they don't want the Cubs or Sox to feel neglected.

@gordondym

One reason for both: Lovie Smith.

@djpillsburyd

The Bears loss also had fans talking on chicagotribune.com/sports message boards.

"I know that only doom and gloom are popular today but I would like to give a little credit to Mr. Forte for going over 1,000 yards on the ground with several games to go."

ktown104

"We blew it! No excuses, we could have won, maybe should have won, but we lost it big time. Just a terrible performance after such a promising start which pretty much sums up this season."

Warrior412

PERSONAL FOUL

Burress charged in shooting that has put the spotlight on athletes, guns

Associated Press

NEW YORK Taken to court in handcuffs, Plaxico Burress posted \$100,000 bail on weapons possession charges Monday as the frenzy grew around the Giants star receiver who accidentally shot himself in a nightclub.

Authorities said teammate Antonio Pierce was being investigated over his role in the shooting, while the Giants weren't sure what action they would take, if any, against Burress. The NFL said it was monitoring developments.

Burress was walking toward the VIP room of Manhattan's Latin Quarter nightclub after 1 a.m. Saturday, drink in one hand, when his .40-caliber Glock started to slip from his waistband, New York Police Department spokesman Paul Browne said. Burress grabbed the gun, which fired, shooting him in the right thigh, police said.

A witness reported hearing a popping sound before Burress' legs began to shake, according to a criminal complaint. It said the person saw a bloody pistol fall out of his pant leg and land on the floor before Burress said "Take me to a hospital."

It's believed Pierce took Burress to a car and then left with him, according to police. Burress was treated at New York-Presbyterian Hospital/Weill Cornell Medical Center and released later Saturday.

Burress was charged with two counts of second-degree criminal possession of a weapon, which could result in a prison sentence of 3 1/2 years to 15 years if he is convicted. He was not required to enter a plea Monday and is due back in court March 31. Burress did not say anything in court.

"He is standing tall. He is a mature adult," said Benjamin Brafman, his defense lawyer. "I think any professional athlete in this situation would be concerned."

Originally, police had said that running back Derrick Ward was with Burress and Pierce at the club, relying on information given to them from security guards at the bar. But police said later that it was unclear if Ward was at the club, and the running back denied that he was.

The Giants have not decided what to

NFL gun policy

Guns and weapons policy (This policy applies to all employees of the NFL and its member clubs, including players.)

PROHIBITIONS

Whether possessed legally or illegally, guns and other weapons of any kind are dangerous. You and your family can easily be the losers if you carry or keep these items in your home. You must not possess these weapons while traveling on league-related business or whenever you are on the premises of the following:

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Put simply, the league, the Players Association and law enforcement authorities urge you to recognize that you must not possess a gun or other weapon at any time you are performing any service for your team or the NFL.

LEGAL POSSESSION

In some circumstances, such as for sport or protection, you may legally possess a firearm or other weapon.

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UNDERSTANDING THE LAW

If you legally possess a weapon, you must understand the local, state and federal laws that apply. The NFL Security representative in your area will help you get information about these laws. You should be aware that if you take a weapon from one place to another, for example across state lines, a different set of laws may apply in the new place.

DISCIPLINE

If you violate this policy on guns and other weapons, you are subject to discipline, including suspension from playing. And if you violate a public law covering weapons, for example possession of an unlicensed firearm, you are not only subject to discipline, including suspension from playing, but also subject to criminal prosecution.

Remember, be careful and understand the risks.

SOURCE: NFL

do with Burress. New York could either suspend him again or deactivate him for Sunday's game against the Eagles. The team also could release Burress, but that could put a strain on the team's salary cap.

"We're dealing with that," coach Tom Coughlin said Monday.

Police have looked at security video from the club and hospital and determined that Burress arrived at 1:20 a.m. and left at 1:50 a.m. He arrived at the hospital at 2:04 a.m. and went home 11 hours later.

Pierce declined to provide specifics about the incident Monday during a radio interview, but said that many facts of the case have been "misconstrued" and "dis-

torted." He has hired an attorney, he said.

"Today has been a headache, and that's about all I can say," he told WFAN.

The case drew the wrath of Mayor Michael Bloomberg, who has waged a long fight against illegal guns. He called for full prosecution of state law that requires mandatory prison for carrying a loaded handgun.

"I don't think anybody should be exempt from that, and I think it would be an outrage if we didn't prosecute to the fullest extent of the law, particularly people who live in the public domain, make their living because of their visibility—they're the role models for our kids," Bloomberg said.

Sack dance

Bag Boy brings his, um, uplifting presence to the panel after a tough Bears loss.



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1 Give the Blackhawks and Bulls grades for their long road trips.	Bulls get a C, Hawks get a B-plus. And I get to go to bed early now.	Neither returned with Megan Fox, so, D-minus.	A's all around. I mean, it's curved based on recent wretchedness, but still ...	Better than the Bears' short trip to Minnesota.	Worse and worser.
2 Why did the NBA schedule back-to-back Bulls-Philly games?	I really don't know. I really don't know.	It's best to keep Jo Noah around cheesesteaks at all times, given his ... hobbies.	It's called a "home-and-home" and happens a lot in the NBA. Did you want witty answers?	After the Bulls' circus trip, the NBA paid them back by sending them the clowns.	To remind us twice how we screwed up letting Elton Brand get away.
3 What's next for the Bears?	Four and out.	Fire the GM, sign Daunte Culpepper. It's working for the Lions, right?	Hopefully a loss to Jacksonville so I can plan my January vacations.	Another goal-line success story.	My eternal disappointment.
4 What would you give up for the Cubs to get Jake Peavy?	Derrek Lee and any of the other mediocre players the Cubs are always peddling.	Not nearly what I would give for the Nationals to get a real, live starting pitcher.	As long as the Bulls can keep Derrick Rose, all other Chicago teams can do what they want.	I'd give up meat. The fact I'm a vegetarian has nothing to do with it.	If he could get us a World Series win, I'd consider losing the bag.
5 What's wrong with Plaxico Burress?	Nobody ever taught him what not to do when your zipper gets stuck.	He has a tough time with Bon Jovi lyrics. "Shot through the leg, and you're to blame ..."	You want it alphabetically or in random order?	Too many bullets, not enough sense.	You mean, besides the hole in his leg.

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I have something to admit. This time of year, I have a hard time focusing on televised sports because I also love holiday programming. Especially old-school shows.

Tonight, it's either basketball or "Santa Claus is Comin' to Town." You know, the one with Burgermeister Meisterburger. So I need your help. Tell me which holiday shows are worth watching and which ones aren't. Text the word "whiz" followed by your response to 47383.

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Here now, my TV picks.

NBA
**Bulls vs.
Philadelphia**

7:30 p.m. WCIU

The Bulls might need directions to the United Center. They haven't player there since Nov. 15.

**COLLEGE
BASKETBALL****Clemson
at Illinois**

6:30 p.m. ESPN2

The Fighting Illini are 6-0. The Tigers are 7-0. This might be the game of the century.

**Duke
at Purdue**

8 p.m. ESPN

Must-see viewing, if only because it's quite possible Purdue could beat Duke.

**Armstrong**

AP FILE

Back pedaling

Lance Armstrong will ride in the 2009 Tour de France, marking the first time he will compete in that race and the Giro d'Italia in the same year.

"I'm committed to riding for the best guy," Armstrong said Monday, acknowledging the taxing schedule could leave him riding in a supporting role in France.

The Giro runs May 9-31, and the Tour begins July 4.

With such a quick turnaround between two grueling races, the seven-time Tour champion acknowledged his body might not perform at the same level it did when he won his last Tour in 2005.

"If you've been away for three or four years, it would be silly for anybody to think I could pick up where I left off," Armstrong told The Associated Press in a telephone interview from Tenerife in the Canary Islands where Astana is training. "I can tell you I feel better than ever, I feel stronger than ever on Dec. 1. How that translates to racing, we'll have to see. Mentally, in terms of motivation, this feels like 1998-1999 to me."

The 37-year-old stunned the cycling world in September, when he announced he was ending

WRIST WATCH

Lance Armstrong turned the LIVESTRONG wristband into a phenomenon when he introduced it in 2004. More than 60 million have been sold worldwide, according to Armstrong's Web site.

To celebrate his return, here are a few wristband ideas RedEye cooked up for Armstrong.

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his three-year retirement. He said then his goal was to race in the Tour but stopped short of a guarantee.

He has dedicated his comeback to raising awareness for the Lance Armstrong Foundation and his global fight against cancer.

"I'm happy with the record (seven wins). I'm training hard and trying to be as competitive as possible," he said. "The main objective is the message of the foundation. That's the first priority and if we ride moderately well, it helps get the message out."

HOMETOWN HITS

The NBA named Derrick Rose the Eastern Conference Rookie of the Month on Monday.



Former Blackhawks player Hubert "Pit" Martin, a four-time NHL All-Star in the 1960s and '70s, has died after his snowmobile plunged into an icy lake, Quebec provincial police said. He was 64. Const. Marie-Josée Ouellet said Martin was driving the vehicle on Lake Kanasuta in northwestern Quebec on Sunday when the ice cracked and he plunged into the freezing water.

**NEXT GAME**
vs. William & Mary

7 p.m. Tuesday, Lakeshore Public Television

**NEXT GAME**
vs. South Dakota

6:30 p.m. Tuesday

**MONDAY'S RESULTS**

» Kevin Coble scored 14 points to lead Northwestern to a 59-43 win at home over UC Riverside.

HIT AND RUN**NFL****Packers are No. 1
—brand, that is**

The Green Bay Packers enjoy the most passionate local fan base of any pro team, enjoying the strongest brand in its local market of any North American team in the major sports leagues, according to the 2008 Turnkey Team Brand Index. "What this is saying is the following the Packers have is more intensely loyal to supporting the Packers than any other team," said Len Perna, president and chief executive of New Jersey-based Turnkey Sports & Entertainment, which released the report Monday.

MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL

» Houston 30, Jacksonville 17

**TRACK & FIELD**
How fast can sprinters go?

Usain Bolt's world record in the Olympic 100-meter final still is a long way from how fast the human body can go, according

to a study by Stanford University biology professor Mark Denny. Shortly after Bolt ran 9.69 seconds in Beijing, Denny set out to estimate just how fast humans will be able to run. He concluded that male sprinters could eventually get the 100 record down to 9.48 seconds in a report published last week in the Journal of Experimental Biology.

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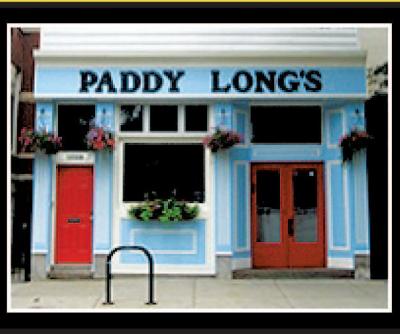
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Second helpings

**Leftovers gone already?
Gobble up these sandwiches
inspired by Thanksgiving**

By Heidi Moore

Every year, the week after Thanksgiving finds you in the same situation. You've plowed through the leftovers, but you're still craving turkey and all the trimmings. We've got an easy fix: Thanksgiving-inspired sandwiches for a fun post-holiday twist.



Silver Cloud
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Stuffed Turkey Sandwich

Where to find it: Bucktown's reliable retro comfort food spot, **Silver Cloud** (1700 N. Damen Ave. 773-489-6212)

What's on it: Oven-roasted turkey breast and stuffing with cranberry relish and a smear of mayo

Served on: White bread, just like when you were a kid (or if you're carb conscious, swap the bread for two pieces of red leaf lettuce)

Cost: \$7.95

Sleep Burger

Where to find it: Kuma's Corner (2900 W. Belmont Ave. 773-604-8769), where hard rock and over-the-top burgers named for metal

bands like Judas Priest and Slayer are the draw. But be warned: This one's only available through the end of December.

What's on it: A half pound of turkey with a deep-fried disk of sage stuffing, cranberry jelly and gravy, topped with deep-fried sage leaves for extra crispy goodness

Served on: A pretzel roll

Cost: \$12

Thanksgiving Delight

Where to find it: Mini-obsessed retro soda shop **Minnies** (1969 N. Halsted St. 312-943-9900), where everything is Lilliputian, including the beer—check out the mini-bottles of Heineken, Rolling Rock, Bud Light and more.

What's on it: Roasted turkey, cranberries and wild rice gravy

Served on: A pint-size toasted brioche bun
Cost: \$8.75 for three

The Pilgrim

Where to find it: Grab-and-go sandwich shop **Uncle Sammy's** (1231 W. Fullerton Ave. 773-525-4800), which caters to DePaul students with cheap sammies, free local delivery and a late closing time (2 a.m. Friday and Saturday)

What's on it: Roasted turkey breast, raisin-studded herb stuffing, cranberry sauce and mayo

Served on: Fresh-baked sub bread
Cost: \$5.50

Turkey Cranberry & Brie

Where to find it: Streeterville gourmet food market **Fox & Obel** (401 E. Illinois St. 312-410-7301).

What's on it: Smoked turkey breast, slices of buttery brie, house-made cranberry sauce, red leaf lettuce and Dijon mayo

Served on: Multigrain bread

Cost: \$8.99

Thanksgiving Day Sandwich

Where to find it: Casual Uptown bar and grill **Fat Cat** (4840 N. Broadway. 773-506-3100), where a neighborhood melting pot of 'hoodies, hipsters and jocks rubs elbows amid 1940s-inspired decor

What's on it: Roasted turkey, house-made herb stuffing, cranberry sauce and mayo

Served on: Toasted whole wheat bread

Bonus: A side of green bean casserole, just like grandma used to make
Cost: \$8.95

Thanksgiving 365

Where to find it: Health-conscious Loop lunch spot **Hannah's Bretzel** (180 W. Washington St. 312-621-1111)

What's on it: Free-range roasted turkey, brie, cranberry-horseradish chutney and romaine lettuce

Served on: Multigrain bread (or substitute chewy bretzel, German pretzel bread).

Bonus: A good-for-you side—choose almonds, soy nuts or roasted veggies
Cost: \$7.79

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Here today, gone tomorrow

For a very limited time, Wicker Park sandwich shop **Jerry's** (1938 W. Division St. 773-235-1006) is serving the Herb Roasted Turkey (\$9.95), made with roasted turkey, mushroom stuffing, Swiss cheese, cranberry sauce, turkey pan gravy, mayo and a dash of Cholula hot sauce. Like most Jerry's sandwiches, it comes on your choice of bread—an Italian roll, a ciabatta bun, an onion bun, a pretzel roll, Tuscan white, multigrain, dark rye or classic white bread—and you get to choose two sides. (We like cornbread and the garlic mashed potatoes with gravy.) This one will be gone after Tuesday, so get it while you can! —H.M.

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Forget the coasts

Rockit Bar & Grill, 22 W. Hubbard St. 312-642-4222.

Show your pride for homegrown filmmakers at the **Midwest Independent Film Festival's Best of the Midwest Awards**. Presenters Steve James ("Hoop Dreams"), John McNaughton ("Henry: Portrait of a Serial Killer") and others present awards to this year's winners. Nominees include Steve Conrad ("The Promotion"), Patrick Creadon ("I.O.U.S.A.") and Keith Bearden ("Train Town"). The bash includes appetizers, cocktails and St. Pauli Girl beers. 6 p.m. \$50.

Shutterbug show

Harold Washington Library Center, 400 S. State St. 312-747-4050

Whether you're a photog fiend or a casual magazine flipper, the work of **Annie Leibovitz** surely has crossed your path. Meet the celeb-snapping photographer when she discusses her new book "Annie Leibovitz at Work." No reservations needed; seating is first come, first served. Doors open at approximately 5 p.m. Discussion begins at 6 p.m. Free.

Downsize it

Martyrs', 3855 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-404-9869.

Busy with all things holiday? Economize your time at **Pecha Kucha Night Volume 7**. Taking its name from the Japanese phrase roughly meaning "the sound of conversation," Pecha Kucha plays host to 10 presenters who show the audience 20 slides of their artwork for 20 seconds each. Tuesday's guests include artist Derek Erdman, educator Jean Linsner, publisher Jon Mueller and others. 8 p.m. \$10.

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Who needs a coat?

Vines on Clark, 3554 N. Clark St. 773-327-8572.

Don't let old man winter keep you from outdoor adventures (especially of the drinking variety). Wrigleyville resto-bar Vines on Clark launches its weekly **Pack the Patio Polar Bear Party** to ease you into Chicago's cold season with a heated outdoor patio, \$1 Miller Light bottles and half-price appetizers. 6 p.m. No cover.

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Funny guy

Lakeshore Theater, 3175 N. Broadway. 773-472-3492.

Exploring the effects of smoking marijuana for 30 days straight might sound like a slacker's pipe dream, but **Doug Benson** turned it into documentable research for his film, "Super High Me." Catch the comic, also a regular on VH1's "Best Week Ever" and "Comedy Central Presents," when he returns to the Lakeshore for a stand-up set. 8 p.m. Through Saturday. \$20. Tickets: [lakeshoretheater.com](#)

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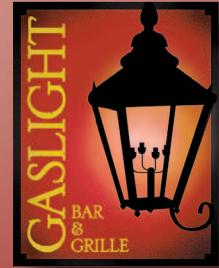
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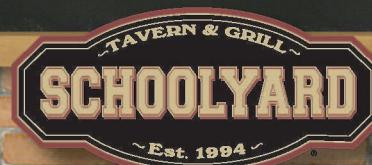
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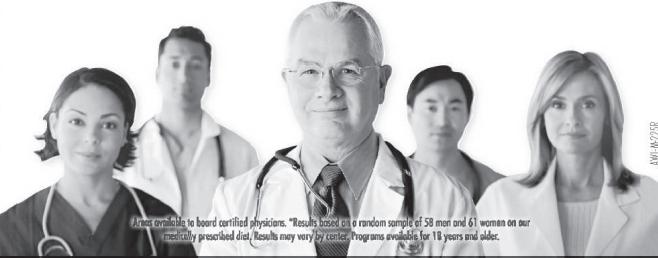
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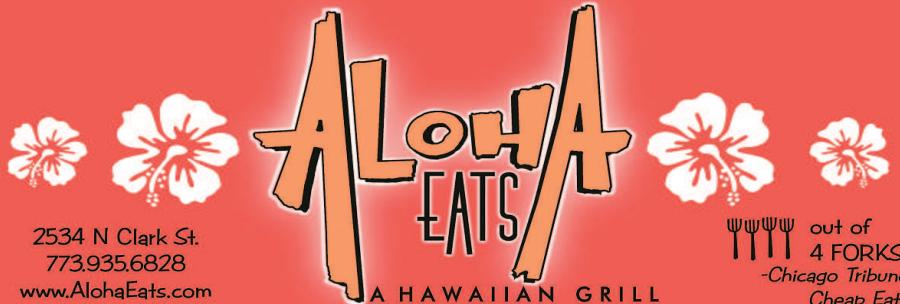
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Britney reboot

Second Spears comeback almost as good as the first

From staff and wire reports

Britney Spears knows she's had a crazy year.

She admitted as much in Sunday's MTV documentary "Britney: For the Record," asking "What the hell was I thinking?" Mentioning her two psychiatric evaluations and losing custody of her sons as well as control over her own fortune, Spears said that she's been fighting tooth-and-nail to find herself.

"I'm kind of stuck in the place and it's like, 'How do I deal?'" she said in the film. "You just cope. And that's what I do, I just cope with it."

With the Tuesday release of her sixth studio album, "Circus," the former pop princess hopes to reclaim her crown. The new album is getting mostly positive reviews. But can "Circus" return Spears to the kind of massive, multi-platinum sales that she hasn't seen since her 1990s heyday?

After her supposed first comeback with last year's "Blackout," even Spears knows that's an overused term.

"This whole year has been a hell of a year

for me," Spears tells Glamour magazine in its January 2009 issue. "I have 'come back' so many times, people are just like, 'Is this another one?' ... It's kind of like a joke to me now."

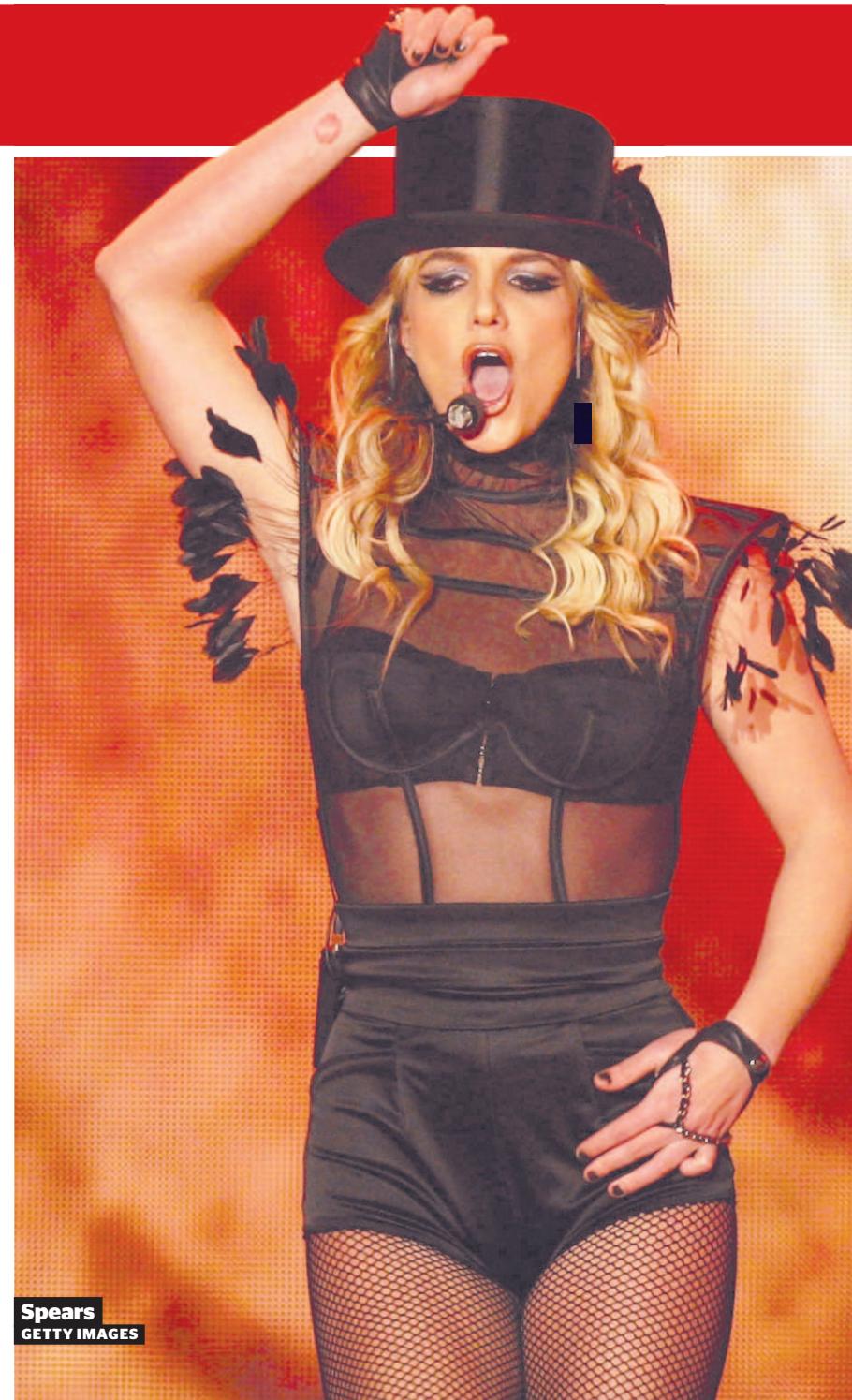
"Blackout" never had a chance at success because its star was falling apart with a string of tabloid-worthy exploits. It's hard to generate hits when your personal life is in turmoil, after all, and your appearance on the 2007 Video Music Awards becomes a train wreck.

In the Glamour interview, Spears admits she "didn't know exactly where I stood with everyone." But winning three awards at this year's VMAs made her realize fans still wanted to see her. "When I received the awards and [the audience] stood for me, it showed me how much love is out there," she tells the magazine.

And now she's promoting "Circus," which drops on her 27th birthday.

"Recording this album has helped take my mind off certain things," she tells Glamour. "For me, my music is therapy ... It's me talking to them, instead of just singing a song about something."

Now Spears—while still very different from her previous superstar incarnation, circa 1998–2003—seems on the road to recovery, thanks to court-appointed guidance from her dad and other positive developments. **REDEYE, AP CONTRIBUTED.**



Spears
GETTY IMAGES

OOPS AND AWES

Britney Spears' latest album, "Circus," drops Tuesday, her 27th birthday. From her early Mouseketeer days to her current run as comeback queen, Spears has packed a lot of awesome moments into her 27 years. She's also said "Oops" a lot. Take a look:

AWESOME

OOPS!

1993-94: A cute Britney is a member of "The New Mickey Mouse Club."



1999: Dressed as a naughty schoolgirl in the video for "... Baby One More Time," 17-year-old Britney shoots to superstardom, with her Lolita pose on the cover of Rolling Stone aiding the cause.



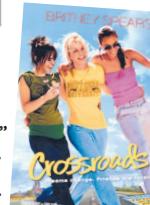
2001: Spears performs "I'm a Slave 4 You" at the MTV Video Music Awards with a 7-foot python around her neck.



2003: At the VMAs, Brit shares a salacious kiss with Madonna.



2002: Britney tries crossing over to the big screen with "Crossroads," which was widely panned by critics.



2004: Quickie Vegas marriage to childhood friend Jason Alexander is annulled two days later.

2004: Oops, she gets married again—this time to Kevin Federline, a backup dancer from her concert tour. They have two kids and divorce three years later.



2007: After reportedly spending one night in a rehab facility, Britney checks out and shaves her blond locks.

2007: Spears looks a bit flabby and performs as though she is in a trance at the VMAs, earning her a torrent of mockery.
2007: Britney loses custody of her children.

2008: The MTV doc "Britney: For the Record" is filmed throughout the year, chronicling her "comeback" and giving her the chance to explain her "oops" moments.

2008: She successfully pulls off her first live performance since the 2007 VMA debacle at a German awards ceremony, and her sixth studio album, "Circus," garners mostly good reviews.

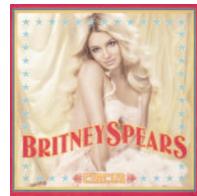
2008: Spears is hospitalized after police are called to her mansion to mediate a custody dispute.
2008: Spears' father is in control of her finances.



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—BRITNEY
SPEARS

Brit on record



SNAP JUDGMENT
Britney Spears
"Circus"

!!! Britney Spears' latest album, "Circus," overflows with smart, savvy dance pop—the

kind of songs that create the perfect escapist soundtrack for these downsized times. The hit "Womanizer" is only the beginning of the radio-ready barrage Spears is about to throw down. The title track is another sleek dance-floor filler, as is the dizzying "Mannequin." And she has the disco-influenced "Lace and Leather," with its scratch guitar and Chic-inspired bass line.

It's all part of what seems like a new direction for Spears, one that values musicianship. She also tackles some ballads that accomplish their missions. "Out From Under" shows how her voice, which still is limited, can carry a song, even with spare accompaniment, while "My Baby" is a bit schmaltzy, as it conveys how Spears is a loving mother now.

With "Circus," Spears has delivered the biggest shock of all—compelling reasons to reverse her cartoon-like tabloid image and take her seriously as a singer. **GLENN GAMBOA, NEWSDAY**

1999

Album: "... Baby One More Time"

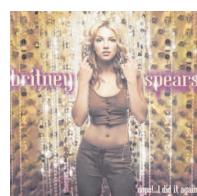


Albums sold:

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2000

Album: "Oops! ... I Did It Again"

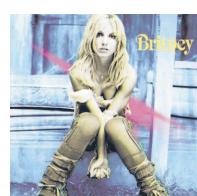


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2001

Album: "Britney"

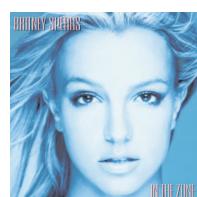


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2003

Album: "In the zone"



Albums sold:

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2007

Album: "Blackout"



Albums sold:

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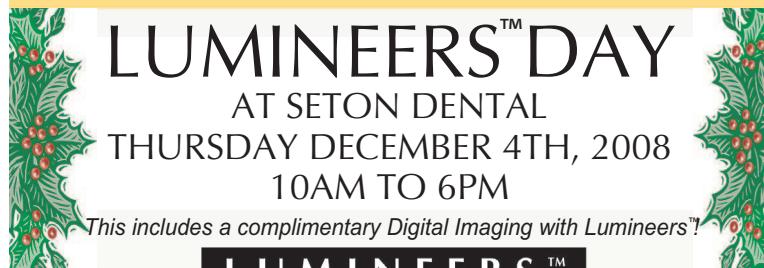
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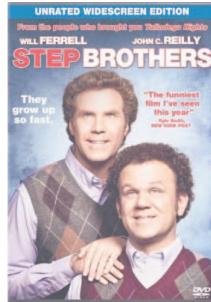


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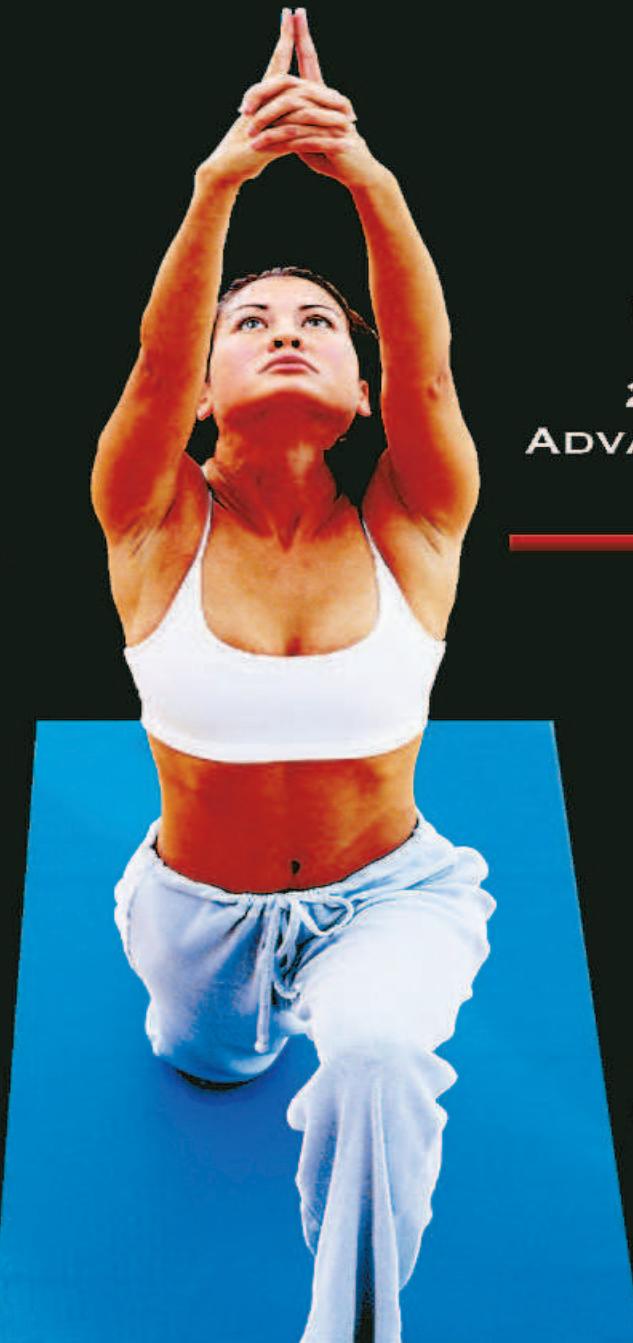
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Brain cells, like all cells, start needing nutrition as soon as they're created; that's why there's so much emphasis on good nutrition during pregnancy and early childhood to build healthy bodies and brains. More research is being done on how adult nutrition can affect cognitive function—the level at which the brain is able to manage and use available information for activities of daily life.

So whether you're choosing breakfast foods to keep you alert during an early morning business meeting or wanting an afternoon snack to boost concentration powers, here's a roundup of food news to feed your mind.



Folate

FOUND IN: Orange juice, green vegetables, cantaloupe and whole-grain foods, including those enriched with folic acid such as breads, cereals, pasta and rice.

GOOD FOR: The B vitamin folate has been shown to improve alertness in adults. New research shows that high blood folate levels help prevent high levels of homocysteine, which is associated with increased risk of dementia and Alzheimer's disease.



Choline

FOUND IN: Egg yolks, peanuts, soybeans and flaxseeds.

GOOD FOR: The nutrient helps support the brain's messenger service, called neurotransmitters. It's also linked to new memory cell production.

Antioxidants

FOUND IN: Foods from pomegranates to blueberries to prunes to spinach boast high levels of antioxidants.

GOOD FOR: The biochemicals fight diseases and, according to nutrition researchers at Tufts University, help fight off oxidative stress on our brains to help protect cognitive function.

Theanine

FOUND IN: The amino acid is in green, black and oolong teas.

GOOD FOR: New research shows that theanine increases alpha brain-wave activity, which induces a calmer, yet more alert, state of mind.

Water

FOUND IN: Taps, as well as in fresh fruit and vegetable snacks.

GOOD FOR: If your brain feels a bit fuzzy or you feel irritability coming on, you might just be thirsty. Dehydration can make you feel listless, lethargic and contribute to concentration problems. Make sure to drink water or other thirst-quenching drinks throughout the day.



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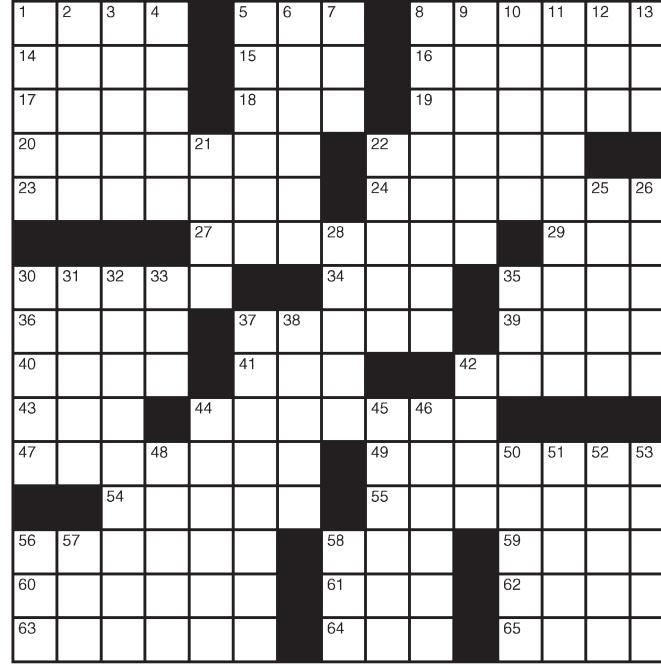
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BRAIN TEASERS

These pop-culture nuggets will leave you scratching your head

Have you seen the trailer for Will Smith's new flick, "Seven Pounds," which opens later this month? Isn't it just so darn ... confusing? The thing opens with an introspective Smith standing on a craggy shore. He narrates that "In seven days, God created the world, and in seven seconds I shattered mine." Then there are some shots of Smith running through the rain, something about his character, Ben Smith, knowing a secret, and then something about seven strangers having their circumstances changed forever. It's totally confusing. The convoluted peek at Smith's buzzed-about flick got RedEye thinking about other recent pop-culture offerings that we're still working on figuring out.

SPEIDI WEDDING

Heidi Montag and Spencer Pratt recently got married in Mexico, according to an *Us Weekly* cover story last week. But The Associated Press has raised questions, which the couple have laughed off, about whether Speidi's elopement resulted in an actual marriage complete with a license or a civil ceremony. So are we supposed to call them Mr. and Mrs. Pratt now, or should we stick with Speidi?

VINCE VAUGHN AWOL?

Vince Vaughn and Reese Witherspoon had the box office all wrapped up last weekend with their holiday comedy "Four Christmases," which debuted at No. 1 with \$31.7 million. The weird thing is, it seems like Witherspoon's the only one doing publicity for the gig. We've heard all about what she gets her kids for Christmas, what she cooks for Christmas and what she does for other Christmas traditions, but Vaughn has been almost completely mum on the movie.

"YES MAN"

Jim Carrey's upcoming comedy about a guy who has to say yes to everything looks like it could get mired down in its own narrow plot device. Also, wasn't this movie made in 1997? Oh wait: "Liar Liar" was about a guy who could speak only the truth. That's totally different, right?

MADONNA AND A-ROD IN MEXICO

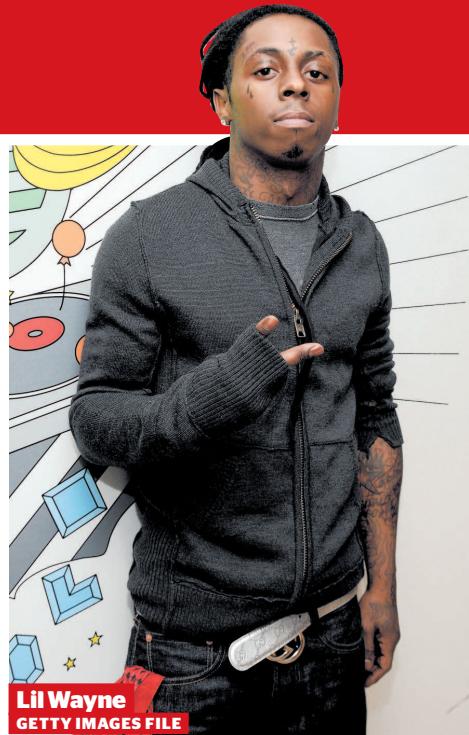
New York Yankees slugger Alex Rodriguez was in Mexico City this weekend as the pop star was performing there. It wasn't immediately known if the All-Star third baseman and Madonna met while in Mexico's capital, The Associated Press reports. All we know is that A-Rod said it was "very good" when asked what he thought about being in the city at the same time as the Material Girl. So what's up with that?

JOAQUIN PHOENIX

The "Walk the Line" star has said that he is retiring from movie acting. Now there are murmurs that he's filming a documentary about his transition from acting to music making. Question 1: Who would watch that? Question 2: Seriously, when is he doing another real movie?

THE KILLERS

The Las Vegas band's new track "Human" is really catchy, but what's up with the chorus? "Are we human or are we dancer?" not only doesn't make sense grammatically, it also causes us to say, "Huh?"

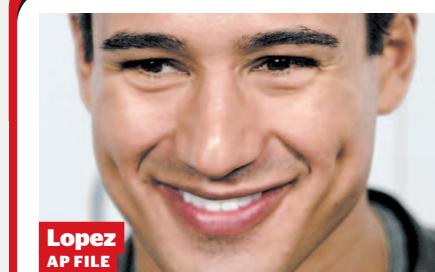


He's a fan

It ain't easy impressing Lil Wayne. The rapper told MTV a while back that none of the music out was inspiring him—except for Kanye West, whose "808s & Heartbreak" dropped last week. "[Kanye] is an innovator, so it's always a pleasure to be around someone so creative, because it drives you to be more or just as," Wayne told the network about working with West. We'll see this week if music fans are as enthusiastic as Wayne was when West's sales numbers come out.

Holding court
Singer Boy George admits in a recording played in court that he restrained a male escort with handcuffs, The Associated Press reports. But the former Culture Club singer says he had no intention of hurting the man. He also denies he tried to assault the escort or that he swung a chain at him.

Baby talk
"ER" star Parminder Nagra is preggers, she tells **usmagazine.com**. Nagra, who plays Dr. Neela Rasgotra on the show, is expecting her first child this summer with photographer beau James Stenson. "We are thrilled and overjoyed at the prospect of becoming first-time parents," she tells the mag.



NOTED

"Extra" host Mario Lopez is hosting the Miss America pageant that airs Jan. 24 on TLC.

QUOTED

"To be fair, and this may be a bit egotistical, I think she was in awe of me."
— "American Idol" judge Simon Cowell, talking on Ryan Seacrest's radio show about meeting Britney Spears, according to **usmagazine.com** excerpts.

DEMOTED

Ivana Trump's 4th marriage. The Donald's ex-wife issued a statement confirming reports of marital discord with Italian entrepreneur Rossano Rubicondi. Trump, who married Rubicondi in April, says she filed a legal separation agreement three months ago, according to The Associated Press. Trump says she kept quiet about it because she didn't want to ruin Rubicondi's chances as a contestant on the Italian edition of the reality TV show "Survivor."



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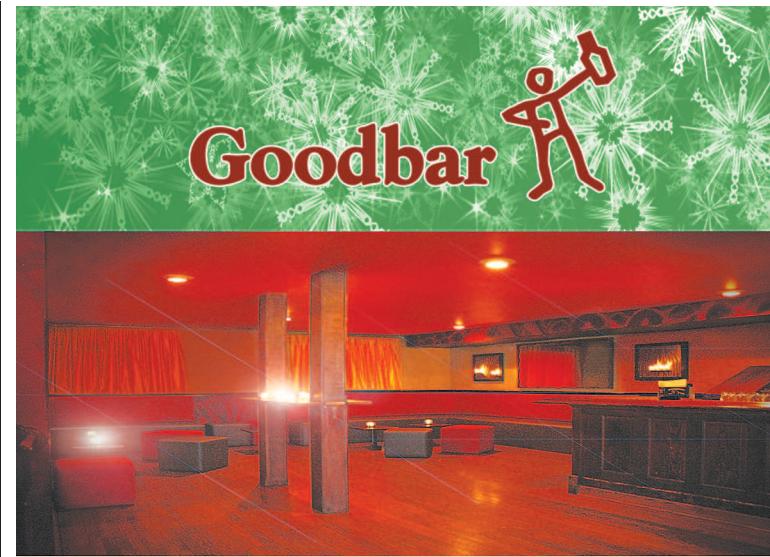
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Brad Pitt:
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cover boy?

Yep. The mag interviewed Pitt about his work rebuilding hurricane-ravaged homes in New Orleans for its January issue.

"You have no idea what a high it is for me to see the delight on people's faces when they see how these homes work," Pitt tells the mag, according excerpts at usmagazine.com.

"This project is not mine anymore. It's so beyond me."



HOT DATE

Feb. 2

Premiere on the Logo channel of "RuPaul's Drag Race," a reality competition hosted by the legendary drag queen (left). The contestants will compete "Top Model"-style for the title of top drag queen. You better work!



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Fey in real life

Sounds like Tina Fey has at least one thing in common with her "30 Rock" character, Liz Lemon.

In the show, Lemon tells Oprah that she was a virgin until 25. Fey tells Vanity Fair her own life wasn't very different.

"I remember bringing people over in high school to play—that's how cool I am—that game Celebrity," she tells the magazine. "That's how I successfully remained a virgin well into my 20s, bringing gay boys over to play Celebrity."

Reunited ... and it feels so good

Travis Barker and DJ AM will perform together for the first time since they survived that fiery plane crash in South Carolina.

The former Blink-182 drummer and DJ AM will headline a New Year's party in West Hollywood, according to The Associated Press.

"I'm ready to get back on stage with AM and continue to rock the house," Barker said in a statement. "I'm very excited to bring in the New Year in my hometown of L.A."

You can watch it in Chicago too: The performance will be streamed on the Internet and broadcast at other select parties across the U.S., according to AP.

Animation action

It's panda-monium in Hollywood! "Kung Fu Panda," the DreamWorks movie in which Jack Black voices a slacker panda, garnered the most nominations Monday for the Animated Film Society's Annie Awards with 17, according to the society's Web site. But don't break out the gourmet bamboo just yet: "Bolt," "Wall-E," "\$9.99" and "Waltz With Bashir" are the competition for best animated feature. The awards will be presented Jan. 30.



OTHER TIDBITS:

» Fey and husband Jeff Richmond fell in love after a Sunday afternoon spent together at the Museum of Science and Industry.

» She lost 30 pounds before taking a seat at the anchor desk of "SNL's" Weekend Update.

» She doesn't like it when people see her feet.

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